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EXPORT OF KINNOO
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the percentage export of `Ganganagri Kinnoo` in total export of fruits, has declined during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the quantum of `Ganganagri Kinnoo` exported during the above period; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to increase the export of `Kinnoos` so that the adversely affected farmers of Rajasthan could be helped?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a), (b) and (c) : The export statistics for `Ganganagri Kinnoo` is not separately available.The export of citrus fruits including `Ganganagri Kinnoo` during the last three years 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000 has been as follows:

Year	Quantity (in M.Tons)	Value (in Rs.lakhs)
1997-98	21103	1705.24
1998-99	12787	1519.36
1999-2000	26914	2824.59

Source: DGCIS, Calcutta and APEDA, New Delhi.

(d) : The Government has taken the following measures to improve the quality of production and export of Kinnoos:

(i) integrated training programme for qualitative production of kinnoos in Ganganagar area of Rajasthan and Abhor region of Punjab has been undertaken by APEDA for the last two years. Technicalinputs to farmers have been provided and five training programmes have been organised in each crop calender. The integrated training programmes have helped the farmers in the qualitative production of Kinnoos.

(ii) Protocols have been developed and documented for pre and post harvest management practices for Kinnoo by APEDA which has been published in Hindi and Gurmukhi for the use of farmers.

(iii) Pack houses have been set up by the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Limited (NAFED) and Punjab Agro Industries Corporation for sorting, grading and waxing in order to get value addition to the product.

(iv) APEDA has been organising promotional campaigns such as buyer-seller meet, participation in important international fairs and exhibitions for the promotion of Indian fruits and vegetables in general including Kinnoos.